

WE CLAIM:

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1. A restaurant videoconferencing system comprising:
 - a) a first plurality of booths in at least a first geographic location;
 - b) a second plurality of booths in at least a second geographic location;
 - c) each booth in each location equipped with at least one viewing screen and connected via a network providing both videoconferencing between booths in different geographic locations and multi-media access for each booth.
 2. The system of claim 1, wherein the booths of the first location are in a different time zone from the booths in the second location.
 3. The system of claim 1, wherein each booth has high speed internet access.
 - SCB 4. The system of claim 1, wherein each booth has access to one or both of cable TV and satellite TV.
 5. The system of claim 1, wherein each booth has access to a central server of computer games.
 6. The system of claim 1, wherein the booth has access to at least one of internet access, cable TV, satellite broadcast, productivity tools, resources, and an inventory of computer games and programs.
 7. The system of claim 1, wherein each location also includes at least one room, each room having videoconferencing capability with a room or a booth in a different location.
 8. The system of claim 7, wherein each location has computers stations with videoconferencing capability in addition to the rooms and booths.
 - SCB 9. A method of restaurant videoconferencing comprising the steps of:

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- a) providing a plurality of videoconferencing booths in each of a number of restaurant locations;
 - b) conducting videoconferencing between users at least two booths in different restaurant locations while serving food to the users in each booth.

10. The method of claim 9, wherein the restaurants are in different time zones.

11. The method of claim 9, wherein the restaurants are in different countries.

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12. The method of claim 9, comprising providing one of internet surfing, computer gaming, computer program access, cable TV viewing, broadcast TV viewing, satellite TV during step (a).

13. The method of claim 9, comprising providing videoconferencing capability in rooms and computer stations in addition to the booths for users of the restaurants.

14. The method of claim 13, comprising providing videoconferencing capability in rooms and computer stations situated in each location in addition to the booths for users of the restaurants.

15. The method of claim 9, wherein multiple parties interact at each booth for one of social or business pleasure in a public setting.

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16. The system of claim 1, wherein multiple parties interact at each booth for one of social or business pleasure in a public setting.

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